

Greensboro Connections 2025 Comprehensive Plan
2003-04 Annual Report
Executive Summary

PART 1

General

Year One of Connections 2025 Plan implementation has proven to be very active. Over the course of the year, the 82 Year One tasks were broken down into 44 projects, of which 10 are complete or nearly complete, 30 are in progress and 4 have not been started. Work on the projects involved over 200 meetings and approximately 100 citizens and staff. Additionally, numerous public meetings were held for the larger projects such as the Long Range Transportation Plan, the Mobility Greensboro Transit Plan, Lindley Park Plan, Conversations on Race, etc., which involved hundreds of citizen participants. There are still many Year One tasks that need to be completed, however, the positive progress continues and many tasks are partially complete or nearing completion, some of which we anticipate completion by the end of the calendar year. There were some delays due to organizational start-up activities such as appointing the Monitoring Committee, organizing the project teams and establishing a tracking system.

2003-04 Plan Amendments

During the year, the Planning Department processed three Plan amendments. The first was for a Generalized Future Land Use Map (the Map) amendment at the intersection of US220/ Horse Pen Creek/Old Battleground Roads. This request was withdrawn prior to City Council consideration. The Planning staff then recommended the second amendment to modify the Land Use Classification surrounding this same intersection. This amendment was approved by City Council. The third amendment was a request by City Council to modify the criteria and process for amending the Plan. The amendments that were approved by City Council included: more frequent processing of amendments, requiring amendments for all sizes of property, tracking related rezoning requests and Plan amendments together and holding a joint public hearing before the Planning Board and Zoning Commission, and amending the Map to reflect the actual boundaries of the rezoning case.

2004-05 Goals

As a focus for the next year, staff will continue to work towards completing all of the unfinished Year One tasks and begin a number of Year 2-3 projects. However, the following is a list of new priority projects for the next year:

1. Begin Development Ordinance rewrite to support the goals and policies of the Plan and to focus on priority issues identified in the Plan.
2. Fringe Area Development/ Growth Tier Implementation/Water/sewer policy – reconcile differences between policies and consider adding land use to Tiers 2 and 3.
3. Corridor Plan and Special Area Plans (e.g. Summit Avenue Corridor).

PART 2

2004-05 Proposed Plan Amendments

As a result of observing and working with the Plan over the course of the year, staff is recommending some amendments to the Plan. The recommended amendments consist of both text and map changes. Some of the amendments are substantive changes and others are more clerical in nature. Staff will need to bring forward and process these and other amendments during the coming year.